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JURY SELECTION: IT IS THE TRIAL

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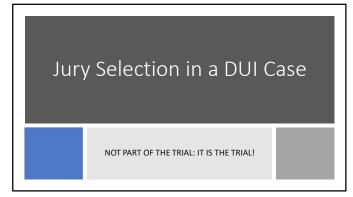
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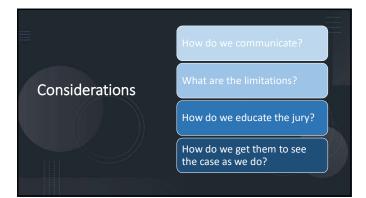
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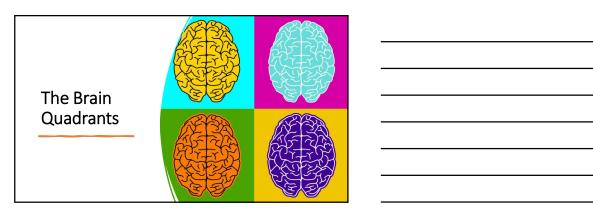
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Brain Quadrants We consume and retain information differently We need some of each quadrant for our jury

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- Prefer:
 - "To the point" information
 - Proof of validity
 - Working alone
 - Lectures
 - Textbook reading
 - Lists
 - Numbers and data sets

- Dislike:
 - Being disturbed
 - Listening on tape
- Struggle with:
 Expressing emotions
 - Vague or imprecise concepts

Quadrant B

- Linear
- Organized
- Consistent
- Timely
- Follow rules



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- Prefer:
 - Working in groups
 - A clear beginning, middle and end
 - Planning things
 - Details
 - Follow up

- Like:
 - Examples
 - Practical applications
- Dislike:
- Ambiguities
 - Risk
 - Unclear expectations

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Quadrant C

- Emotional
- They make decisions because they want to, rather than because they should
- Want to please others
- Expressive
- Good listeners
- Team players

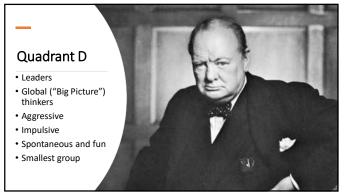


- Friendly, emotional experiences
- Interaction
- Personal relationships with
- Expressing and sharing feelings
- Stories
- Group discussion
- Group activities • Tactile activities

• Dislike

- Lectures
- Lack of interaction or participation
- Data
- Analysis
- Lists

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- Prefer:
 - Overviews
 - Hands on experiences
 - Freedom to explore
 - Variety of content
 - Challenges
 - Pictures
 - Metaphors

- Dislike:
 - Structure
 - Deadlines
 - Lists
 - Lectures
 - Details



Limitations You Can't Control

The manner in which the judge allows you to proceed

The amount of time you have to select your jury

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So Say It	
In a different way: Through education Through indoctrination	

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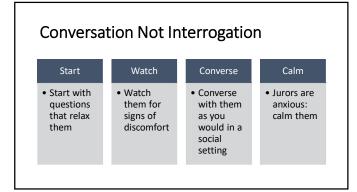
Educate the Jury

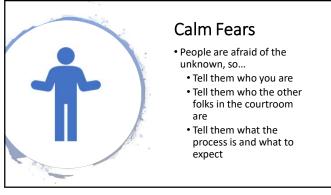
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Key Points

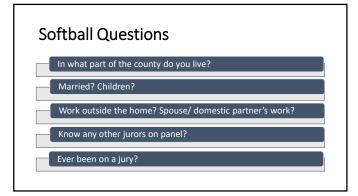
- Conversation, not interrogation
- Develop relationships
- •Be fair
- Have at a minimum all prospective juror's driving histories

Preparing for Jury Selection Chart • Use a personal jury seating chart or one provided by the clerk. • Use a personal jury seating chart or one provided by the clerk. • Create a quick and easy to read outline or checklist for your topics. • Create a quick and easy to read outline or checklist for your topics.









If someone says they work or worked as a truck driver.....

Long haul or short?

Have you driven up on a crash?

Were people injured?

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Have you seen drivers on the road that were driving erratically?

Let the juror be the teacher!

Circle Back over and over and over

Does the fact that the defense attorney represented you in your divorce put you in a position where you can't be fair to both sides?

Does the fact that this happened in front of your childrens' school put you in a position where you can't be fair to both sides?

Does the fact that your ex-boyfriend was an alcoholic put you in a position where you can't be fair to both sides?

Does the fact that your son is a law enforcement officer and you find them to be honest put you in a position where you can't be fair to both sides?

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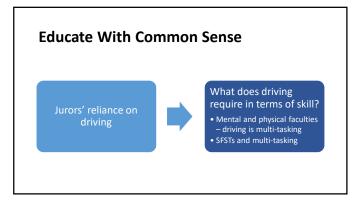


Use their answers to highlight what you need!

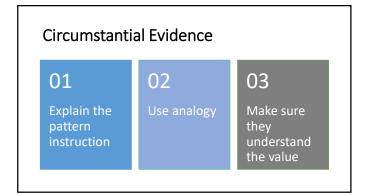
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Wrap-up Questions

Is there any reason you can't sit in judgment of another person's conduct? Is there anything you thought of while I have been talking that you think we need to know or address?



Educate on Burdens Burden of Proof Burden of Law Explain what it ISN'T Use pattern jury instructions



Bias

- Ask questions to:
 - Reveal bias to law enforcement
 - Reveal bias to governmental operations
 - Reveal bias to the law
- Converse about unfairness of bias
 - Use analogy to demonstrate



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Be Prepared....

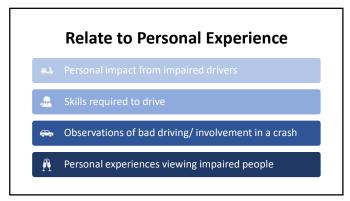
Issues regarding race and interaction with law enforcement must be addressed

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Discuss Danger

You can't say this person put the juror in danger

BUT: you can imply it by discussing the danger to society as a whole





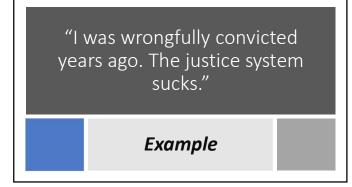
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Convictions

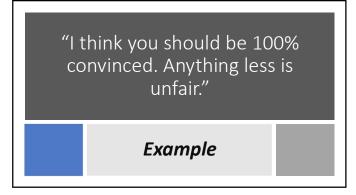
Uncomfortable question

Have a jury book

Do you ask them?







"I don't believe anyone should ever drive drunk. If they do they should go to prison for a long time."	
Example	
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"I had a family member killed by an impaired driver". (bursts into tears)

Example

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Teach Them Your Case



Crash cases: explain how "operation" is proven

Educate on circumstantial evidence: use analogy

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Core issue: Vehicle

- Is it a regular passenger vehicle?
- Commercial vehicle?
- Moped or motorcycle?
- Bicycle?
- Four- wheeler?
- Other?



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Core issue: Street, Highway, or Public Vehicular Area

Where is the crime scene?

Parking lots? Closed store? Dirt road?

Crash cases: is the vehicle off the road?

Do not presume they will not over-think this: they will if there is any question

The crime is not the drug: it's the drive. Do not vilify the drug of choice.

Discuss what drunk / impairment means to each juror

Point out that everyone is affected by alcohol or drugs differently

Make them say they will follow the law!





Ads for medications explaining side effects

Drugs other than alcohol

Marnings on prescription bottles

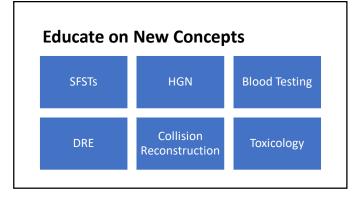
Ullegal drugs

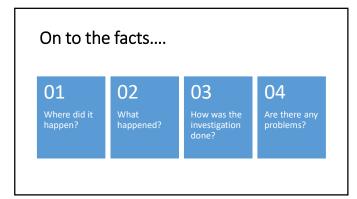
Combinations of drugs

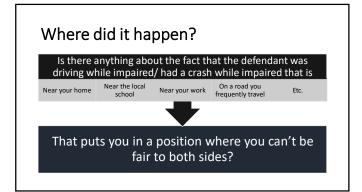
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Core Issue: Refusal Explain implied consent Explain the importance Explain what a refusal means

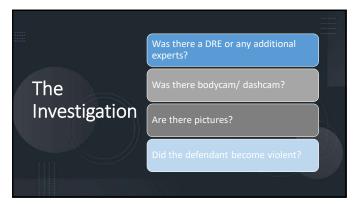
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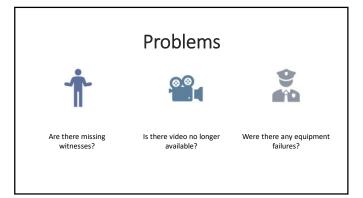












By the time your jury is seated, they should understand the law, be willing to follow it, and be anticipating all the facts.

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